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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME under C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

For replying to the Office action dated <u>December 15, 2005</u> in the patent application identified above, Applicant(s) hereby requests an extension of time of **two months**, from **March 15, 2006** to **May 15, 2006**.

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